

ENEWS JULY 2016

The monthly eNewsletter (**eNews**) for the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society (RVGS) and Jackson County Genealogy Library (JCGL) has three sections:

- (1) Classes and Events both at the library and elsewhere in the US,
- (2) RVGS News of member and society activities, and
- (3) JCGL News about our book collection and internet resources.

Don't miss the opportunity to register for the 50th Heritage Celebration events AND get your tickets in for the Big Raffle. See RVGS News.

Past issues of the eNews are archived on the Publications page of the [RVGS website](#).

Items of interest concerning genealogy are frequently posted on our [blog](#), on our Facebook page [Friends of Jackson County Genealogy Library](#), or on [Twitter](#) as well as other social media sites.

We're here to help you research your family history.

CLASSES AND EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted all classes and events are held at Jackson County Genealogy Library, 3405 S. Pacific Highway, Medford OR

MON, JUL 4



LIBRARY CLOSED

TUE, JUL 5



Family Tree Maker User's Group for PC Users, 1:30-3:00pm

This informal, casual group usually meets the first Tuesday of each month. Everyone is encouraged to bring problems or concerns, etc. and as a group we try and deal with them. This group provides a great way to keep connected and share information. Free and Fun! Please register in advance by email at: reception.jcgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

MON, JUL 11

DNA Interest Group, 1:00-3:00pm



Lorita Cushman facilitates a DNA Interest Group for those who have had their DNA tested. GEDmatch information will be discussed. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Please register in advance by email at: <mailto:reception.jcgl@gmail.com>, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

TUE, JUL 12



German Genealogy Interest Group, 3:30-5:00 pm

Mary Robsman facilitates this group interested in genealogical research and the history of German speaking countries. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Please register in advance by email at: reception.jcgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

TUE, JUL 12

Using Google for Genealogy, 7:00 -8:30 pm. Barbara Northrop will show you ways you can use this powerful search engine to enhance your success in your genealogy research. \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members. Please register in advance by email at: reception.jcgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.



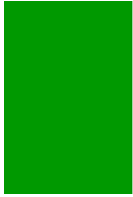
WED, JUL 13



Family Tree Maker User Group for MAC users, 10-11:30 am

Barbara MacMillen facilitates this informal group discussing FTM, genealogy, and Mac computers. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Please register in advance by email at: reception.jcgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

THU, JULY 14



Irish Genealogy Interest Group, 1:00-2:30 pm

Bruce McGarvey will facilitate this interest group where attendees meet to discuss their research in Irish genealogy and history. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Please register in advance by email at: reception.icgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

MON, JUL 25

DNA Interest Group, 1:00-3:00pm



Lorita Cushman facilitates a DNA Interest Group for those who have had their DNA tested. Charting X DNA will be discussed. This group is for those who have had their DNA tested. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Please register in person, in advance by email at: reception.icgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

TUE, AUG 2



Family Tree Maker User Group for PC users, 1:30-3:00 pm

Bring your problems or concerns and we will try to resolve these issues. It is a great way to keep connected and share information, too. Free for members, \$5 non-members. Please register in advance by email at: reception.icgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

WED, AUG 3



Windows 7, 10:30-12:00pm

Rick Black will teach you shortcuts and tips to get the most from this operating system and to make your genealogy research easier. Learn to use tools you haven't explored and revisit the best uses of Windows 7. \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members. Please register in advance by email at: reception.icgl@gmail.com, by telephone 541-512-2340, or in person.

LOCAL EVENTS

MEDFORD AND ASHLAND

Jul 6 Medford Library, 12:00 pm

Jul 13 Ashland Library, 12:00 pm

Heaven on Earth: Early Efforts to Promote the Rogue Valley (Windows in Time)



Jackson County Library Services and the Southern Oregon Historical Society are proud to announce the July topic in the 2016 Windows in Time history series: "Heaven on Earth: Early Efforts to Promote the Rogue Valley." Presented by Alice Mulally.

EVENTS IN OTHER LOCATIONS

EUGENE

JUL 30

Summer Genealogy Fest



Genealogical Council of Oregon Programs: Lane Community College, Eugene, Oregon
Summer Genealogy Fest: An event for genealogists of all skill levels. Download the [flyer](#) for more information. Thomas Jones and John Colletta will present at the Fest. To learn about both events offered by GCO, go to, [GCO Conference](#).

Hosts: Genealogical Council of Oregon (GCO) 9:00am-4:00pm

Registration and Vendor Room: opens at 8am

Opening Remarks begin at 9am.

UTAH

JUL 26-29



2016 Family History and Genealogy Conference BYU Conference Center, Provo Utah

Registration is now open! Join us in July for four days of inspiration, learning and fun.

Keynote speakers are president and CEO of FamilySearch International, Steve Rockwood and professional genealogist and author, Paul Milner. To register go to <https://familyhistory.ce.byu.edu/registration>. The 48th annual BYU Conference on Family History and Genealogy will offer more than 100 classes, allowing participants to gain new skills and helpful information.

Jan 22-27, 2017

Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG)



**SALT LAKE
INSTITUTE of GENEALOGY**

opens **July 9, 2016**, 8:00 am PDT.

SLIG offers a week-long, in-depth learning experience. SLIG 2017 is offering 14 intermediate to advanced-level courses taught by the field's top educators. SLIG opens with registration and a welcome reception on Sunday, January 22nd, and ends with a banquet on Friday evening, January 27th. Classes run Monday through Friday, with special events and research time at the nearby Family History Library (shuttles available) in the evenings. Registration

WASHINGTON

AUG 7-12

**36th International Conference on Jewish Genealogy,
Seattle, WA**



Six days of genealogy presentations on a wide variety of topics. Scroll down the program list at http://s4.goeshow.com/iajgs/annual/2016/program_schedule/cfm. There are a variety of ways to register including full conference, daily, or live streaming if you cannot be there in person.

AUG 17-20
Northwest Genealogy Conference
Arlington, WA

The Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society presents the

NORTHWEST GENEALOGY CONFERENCE

August 17 – 20, 2016

Over 50 Sessions—4 Days of Genealogy—Includes One Free Day!

Featured Keynote Speakers:

- Blaine Bettinger
- Lisa Louise Cooke
- Claudia Breland
- Beth Foulk

Space is limited | Register today at www.NwGC.org | nwgc@stillygen.org
360-435-4838 | PO Box 34, Arlington, WA 98223 | www.StillyGen.org
Made possible in part with funding from the City of Arlington and Snohomish County Hotel-Motel Tax Fund.

Join us at the 2016 Northwest Genealogy Conference! <http://www.nwgc.org>

August 17 – 20, 2016:

- FREE Day, for Beginning Genealogists: Wednesday, August 17, featuring Beth Foulk.
- Gathering your Family’s Story: Thursday, August 18, featuring Claudia Breland.
- Tools to Help Tell the Story: Friday, August 19, featuring Lisa Louise Cooke.
- DNA, How is it a part of your family’s story?: Saturday, August 20, featuring Blaine Bettinger.

15 speakers, over 50 sessions. Register now.

ILLINOIS
AUG 31- Sep 5

Federation of Genealogical Societies National Conference, Springfield, Illinois



TIME TRAVEL: CENTURIES OF MEMORIES, A Conference for the Nation’s Genealogists

FGS and local host the Illinois State Genealogical Society

invite you to join genealogists and family historians from throughout the world for some innovative time traveling experiences in Springfield, IL! Learn from exceptional speakers, network with other researchers, stroll through a large exhibit hall filled to the brim with vendors, and take in the amazing sights and sounds of Illinois' capital city.

Hotel reservations are open now. Learn more about the conference and/or book your hotel today at FGSConference.org.

NEW YORK

SEP 15-17



The three-day conference will be held at the Holiday Inn & Conference Center Liverpool, just outside of Syracuse, New York and features more than 40 sessions, alongside a vibrant exhibitor hall. Nationally-known speakers participating include Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D., CG, FASG; David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA, Chief Genealogical Officer, FamilySearch; D. Joshua Taylor, President, of the New York Genealogical & Biographical Society; James D. Folts, Ph.D., New York State

Archives; Blaine Bettinger, Ph.D., The Genetic Genealogist; Jim Ison, CG, FamilySearch.org; Karen Mauer Jones, CG, FGBS, editor of the NYG&B Record; Jen Baldwin, Findmypast; Terry Koch-Bostic, and Jane E. Wilcox who will each give lectures. The complete conference program, exhibitor information, and other details can be found on the conference website, <http://www.nysfhc.org>.

CANADA: Toronto

OCT 21-23

Great Canadian Genealogy Summit



The Great Canadian Genealogy Summit (CANGEN) is pleased to announce their inaugural conference, to be held at the Courtyard by Marriott, Brampton. The Summit showcases Canadian genealogists who have an expertise in the record sets relating to the early settlers of Canada.

On October 21, we have arranged a day at the **Ontario Archives**. And better still, for those with UEL ancestors who are mind boggled with the documentation required for your UEL application, former **Dominion Genealogist** Kathryn Lake Hogan will be offering a workshop with the **at the Archives**. She will share her expertise on what documentation is required and how to access the documents at the Archives. For more information, go their website, <http://www.cangensummit.ca>. Registration for the full weekend is just \$159cdn (\$125 usd). Registration for the Saturday only is just \$119cdn (\$93 usd)

All registrations include breakfast and lunch on Saturday, free access to Findmypast and admission to the exhibition hall. Go to their [website](#) to learn more and to register.

WEBINARS ONLINE



Free webinars are everywhere and with the convenience and diversity of topics, these should be one of your go-to places for genealogy education. Where can you find free webinars? Start with FamilySearch's Learning Center <https://familysearch.org/learningcenter/home.html> then

check out Legacy Family Tree Webinars <http://familytreewebinars.com/> (free on the day they broadcast and for 7 days after). Genealogy societies, including Southern California Genealogical Society <http://www.scsgenealogy.com/webinar/jes-index.html>, Illinois State Genealogical Society <http://www.ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=227>, Wisconsin State Genealogical Society <http://wsqs.org/>, and Utah Genealogical Association <http://ugagenealogy.com/>. All offer webinars that are free on the day of broadcast to non-members. Don't forget to consult the webinar calendar GeneaWebinars <http://blog.geneawebinars.com/> for additional webinar opportunities. *By Gena Philibert-Ortega, Internet Genealogy and Your Genealogy Today author*

PODCASTS



- [Ancestry.com - Genealogy Podcasts](#)

From *Along Those Lines* by George Morgan

- [BBC - Podcasts - Tracing Your Roots](#)

From BBC Radio Four - Inspirational family history stories and key genealogy advice for the United Kingdom. Sally Magnusson and Nick Barratt uncover personal perspectives on social history and give listeners the tools to become family history detectives. Past episodes are available to listen.

- [Extreme Genes - Family History Radio](#)

Radio program and podcasts by Scott Fisher

- [Extreme Genes Podcast on iTunes](#)

Extreme Genes is a genealogy show hosted by Fisher. Fisher has

30+ years of radio experience and has had a passion for genealogy since he was a teen. On Extreme Genes Fisher sets out to educate the audience on resources and techniques for completing any gaps found in your family tree. Each week Fisher interviews national experts in the field of genealogy as well as news related to all of our genealogy. Be sure to visit ExtremeGenes.com for all the latest on the show.

- [Family History: Genealogy Made Easy Podcast](#)

From Lisa Louise Cooke's *Genealogy Gems*. This step-by-step podcast series for beginning genealogists also helps more experienced researchers brush up or learn something new. Listen and/or read the show notes for software choices, records research, technology tools, organization strategies and more.

- [Family Tree Magazine Podcast](#)

Hear about the best genealogy tools and tips directly from Family Tree Magazine's editors and experts! Tune in to the Family Tree Magazine Podcast for a dose of genealogy education and fun. In this monthly online radio show, host Lisa Louise Cooke—creator of the popular *Genealogy Gems* podcast—takes you behind the scenes to learn more about the topics covered in the magazine. Each episode features interviews with genealogy experts and Family Tree Magazine editors on using genealogy Web sites, records and resources. Plus, editor Allison Dolan gives you sneak previews on upcoming issues and managing editor Diane Haddad delivers the scoop on the latest genealogy news.

- [Fieldstone Common](#)

Northeast history and genealogy radio, with a new episode every Thursday hosted by Marian Pierre-Louis.

- [Genealogy Gems Podcast](#)

Producer and host Lisa Louise Cooke delivers genealogy news, research strategies, expert interviews and inspiration to genealogists in 75 countries around the world with a fun, engaging style.

- [Genealogy Happy Hour](#)

A podcast exploring the perils, pitfalls, and payoffs of accurately documenting family history, two genealogists discuss how to properly document facts and analyze evidence used in family historical research. This is a wonderfully informative genealogy podcast for anyone new to or beginning genealogical research. As a side note, we know that a nice glass of wine will help soothe the frustration that accompanies running into the occasional genealogical brick wall and may even recommend some of our favorite bottles.

- [Genealogy On Demand](#)

Each brief episode will feature 10-15 minutes of genealogy and family reunion information.

- [The Genealogy Guys Podcast](#)

George G. Morgan and Drew Smith discuss genealogy. Their weekly, 60-minute podcast is the longest-running, continuous genealogy podcast in the world.

- [The Genealogy Professional podcast | Genealogists learning from Genealogists](#)

With Marian Pierre-Louis

- [The National Archives Podcast Series](#)

Listen to talks, lectures and other events presented by The National Archives of the United Kingdom.

SO MANY GENEALOGY-RELATED YOUTUBE CHANNELS, SO LITTLE TIME!



Are you taking advantage of all the videos posted on YouTube related to genealogy and family history research? For the most part, I often just stumble across videos of interest embedded in a blog post or similar that I am reading. Once watching the video, I will see what other videos were created by the same source – basically, I check out the “channel” in which the video was found. Think of these channels kind of like tv channels except instead of NBC, ABC, CBS, etc., you have NARA, LOC, LVA, Ancestry, etc.

Since these platforms can be overwhelming, this is where finding “channels” of interest is key!

Do know that on YouTube when you visit a new channel, a video will start up immediately, so you will possibly want to pause that video and/or have your sound off as you explore.

Let’s look at a few of the genealogy-related ones

[US National Archives](#)

[Library of Congress](#)

[Smithsonian](#) (there are also separate channels for the various component museums)

[FamilySearch](#)

[Ancestry](#)

[American Ancestors](#)

[Genealogy Roadshow \(Seasons 1 & 2\)](#)

[BYU Family History Library](#)

[Library of Virginia](#)

[Lisa Louise Cooke's Genealogy Gems](#)

[Dear Myrtle](#)

[The Swedish Genealogy Guide](#)

[Nick Thorne, The Nosey Genealogist](#) (British Family History)

As you can see there is a quite a bit of diversity in who/what has a channel – from national institutions like NARA to state-level ones like the Library of Virginia to individuals.

Something I like about videos is that I can listen to them in the background as I am doing other work (or fun). Then, if something catches my ear, I can pull up the viewer, rewind, and then actually “watch” a segment of interest.

This article was taken from “Up Front,” the NGS blog.

ROGUE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS



"Our 50th Year Heritage" A Celebration

SAVE THE DATES!

September 19th – 27th RVGS will celebrate 50 years as an all-volunteer genealogy society with events, classes and programs. We will be reporting on each of these in the *eNews* monthly. Here is a brief summary of what you have to look forward to:

REGISTRATION IS LIVE FOR EVENTS TO BE HELD SEP 19TH – 24TH

Monday, Sept. 19th at 1:30 PM [Opening Day Ceremony](#). We will have a guest speaker, an RVGS presentation, Anniversary Quilt Presentation, door prizes, and refreshments. *Note: This ceremony is the September meeting of RVGS and is open only to RVGS members.*

Tuesday, Sept. 20th-Saturday, Sept 24th. [Genealogy Week](#). Open to the public. Classes will be offered all week with the library open to the public free of charge. Door prizes will be awarded.

Friday, Sept. 23rd [Wine and Cheese Reception](#). 3pm-5pm. For RVGS volunteers. Enjoy a social time with music, wine & cheese, and door prizes.

Saturday, Sept. 24th [Ice Cream Social](#) for RVGS members. Enjoy free sundaes, cones, floats, and door prizes! Winners of the Writing Contest and Photo Contest will be announced at the social.

BIG RAFFLE IN PROGRESS



The 50th Year Heritage Celebration committee has assembled wonderful items to be raffled off between June 13th and Sept. 27th, the last day of festivities. There will be four collections of items each valued at between \$400 and \$790. Raffle tickets can be purchased at JCGL, \$1/ticket or 6 tickets for \$5; 12 for \$10, or 24 for \$20 **OR** you can print and mail raffle tickets to us. The raffle is NOT limited to RVGS members. To learn more about the raffle go to [PARTICIPATE IN OUR GIGANTIC RAFFLE](#). To print more raffle tickets to mail in, click the following link, [raffle tickets](#).

REGISTRATION IS LIVE FOR THE BANQUET AND SEMINAR

Judy Russell is coming to Medford, Oregon in September 2016. The Banquet (Sept. 26th) and daylong Seminar (Sept. 27th) will feature Judy Russell, The Legal Genealogist, as guest speaker. For complete details of our wonderful celebration and for updates please visit either of our websites at www.rvgsociety.org or <http://www.rvgslibrary.org>. Both the banquet and the seminar will be held at *The Inn at the Commons* in Medford.



Click the following link, [Banquet Registration](#), to reserve you space at the Banquet. Judy Russell's topic is: "Blackguards and Black Sheep—The Lighter Side of the Law." Judy says, *No, actually, our ancestors didn't behave any better back then than we do today, and the records they left behind documenting their missteps and misdeeds are among the priceless gems of genealogy.* To be enjoyed by genealogists and non-genealogists alike.

Click the following link, [Seminar Registration](#), to reserve your space at the Seminar. Check-in begins at 8:30 AM, Seminar at 9:15. Judy Russell will present 4 seminar lectures:

Morning:

“Don't Forget the Ladies -- A Genealogist's Guide to Women and the Law,” and

“Beyond X and Y -- The Promise and Pitfalls of Autosomal DNA Testing.”

NOON BUFFET LUNCH

Afternoon:

“No Person Shall ... Gallop Horses In the Streets -- Using Court Records to Tell the Story of Our Ancestors' Lives,” and

“Dowered or Bound Out -- Records of Widows and Orphans.”

Early registration for the banquet is \$65 and for the seminar is \$75 which includes a buffet luncheon. After Aug 10th, banquet registration is \$75 and seminar registration is \$85.

Registration closes Sept. 10th. For additional information, call the library, M-Sat 10am-4pm at 541-512-2340.

SUBMIT ENTRIES NOW FOR THE WRITING CONTEST AND PHOTO CONTEST: MID-JULY IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ENTRIES TO THESE CONTESTS



Get your writing hat on as there will be some very nice prizes. **The Writing Contest Deadline is July 15th; the Photo Contest deadline is July 16th.** Winners of the Writing and Photo Contests will be announced Sept. 24th at the Ice Cream Social. Join us that afternoon to see who wins the prizes for these contests.

2016 FAMILY HISTORY WRITING CONTEST

True Stories from the Past

\$100.00 1st Place Cash Prize \$75.00 2nd Place Cash Prize \$50.00 3rd Place Cash Prize

Please submit stories between June 1 and July 15, 2016.

Winning entries will be notified and honored at "Our 50th Year Heritage" events in September 2016. Click on the following link to read [Rules & Regulations](#) and to download the "Entry Form."

2016 FAMILY HISTORY PHOTO CONTEST

Show Off Your Favorite Family Photos

Prizes are awarded for each category:

Military—Group—Children—Funniest ancestor—Wedding—Transportation—Occupation—
Most handsome—Most beautiful—Oldest photo—Most interesting photo—Open category

Please click [this link](#) to access contest rules and submission instructions.



SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE

3rd Quarter Spotlight on Excellence Selections Chosen



Charleen Brown

Charleen Brown and Colista Bailey will share the 3rd quarter *Spotlight on Excellence* representing all Librarian and Project volunteers at RVGS. You can view their biographies and photos, their many projects and years of service to the society at the library and in the August eNews. Charleen and Colista are two great representatives for RVGS.



Colista Bailey

RVGS EDUCATION DIRECTOR NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Wanted: Your skills

Are you using the *MyHeritage* website at the library or at home? Do you think you have the experience and success to teach a class for us on using that website? We would love to hear from you. Some patrons have tried this powerful and useful website but have had difficulty navigating the site.

Do you have other genealogy skills that you could offer to us? Please let me know if you would like to teach a class or facilitate a "Let's Talk About It" session on a subject that you know and would want to share and would like to share with others.

Suggestions for presentation topics: Using websites such as *Findmypast*, *American Ancestors*, and *Fold3* as well as *MyHeritage*.

Social Media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest

Improving writing skills such as *Planning and Writing Your Memoirs*, *Writing Family History*
Many thanks in advance for considering helping out your fellow genealogy researchers.

Please contact Marilyn Ayres, RVGS Education Director at 541-512-2340 and leave me a message. I will call you back to discuss what you would be willing to teach and when you would be available. I look forward to hearing from you....Marilyn

WELCOME NEW AND RENEWING RVGS MEMBERS (May and June)

Louise	Abel
Chris &Kathy	Barlow
Gloria	Brittsan
Sandee	Bush
Pam Jeanne	Cooper
Joan	Devlin
Jan	Dole
Rob	Gomoluh
Karen	Hee
Dennis	Hotchkiss
Bud	Hutcheinson
Pat	Kelly
Douglas	Kirkpatrick
Jacque	Madison
Sharon	Newman
Lynne Ann	Reardon
Tod	Wilkins

RVGS FINANCIAL NEWS



Mortgage Update: HELP GET US OVER THE FINISH LINE!! Thanks to YOUR generous donations, our mortgage has **been reduced to just a little over \$6,000** from the original \$325,000!

With your continued assistance, we can “burn our mortgage” for our 50 anniversary this September! Although we have made great strides in paying down our mortgage, the payment adds to our operating expenses and reduces the programs and services we can provide to our members. The sooner the mortgage is paid off, the sooner we can expand existing programs and services.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR 2016 MORTGAGE DONORS THUS FAR!

Leave a Legacy

Katherine Alsing, Glen Anderson, Marti Arnold, Al & Marilyn Ayres, Audrey Berry, Anne Billeter, Donald & Leona Blankenship, Diane Brenner, Jennifer, Bryan, Sandee Bush, Charles & Edith Carlson, Warren & Charleen Brown, William & Mary Carlson, Robert Casebeer, Carolyn Craig, Carita Culmer, Chuck & Colleen Eccleston, Sarah Forbes, Elaine Goodner, Cheryl Haas, Sharon Hawley-Crum, Alice Herzberg, Linda Hildreth, Horton Family Foundation, John & Lorraine Ferrell, Celeste Guillory, Michele Johnson, Jackson & Caroline Jones, Linda Kestner, Sheila Kimball, Steve Kious, Lynn Leissler, Barbara & Dick MacMillen, Alan Marion, Bruce McGarvey, Rich Miles, Morrow Heights Retirement, Ron Nauman, Dennis Patterson, Wanda Perdue, Sallie Riehl, Karen Scott, Carl Shauger, Barbara Shrewsberry, Lynn & Doris Sjolund, Chloe Sternola, Liz Steward, John & Janie Stewart, Nancy Swan, Erlene Thompson, April Thomas, Dale Trautman, Linda Turner, Ruth Wade, Leona Wobbe, Phyllis Zerr

5/60 Club

Christy Austermann, Al & Carolyn Beron, Anne Billeter, Viki Bryden, Chuck & Colleen Eccleston, Terry Fischer, Gene & Charlotte Henry, Sheila Kimball, Bruce McGarvey, Barbara Shrewsberry, April Thomas, Diane Tibbitts, Sue Waldron

Annual Fund Drive: This year, our Annual Fund goal is \$15,000. To date we have brought in over \$7,000! Your generous contribution to the **Annual Fund** will allow RVGS to keep our membership dues low and assist in covering operating expenses. Membership dues only cover about 33% of our operating expenses. The remaining expenses are covered by monies raised through our Annual Fund Drive. Any amount you give will help to provide support to RVGS and continue the current level of programming.

Your generous and faithful participation in our Society is vital. Contributions can be made in two ways:

- 1) Go to www.rvgsociety.org/Donate.html to make a donation online or click on the Donate Now link on our Facebook page.
- 2) You can drop off a donation at the library at 3405 S. Pacific Hwy, Medford.

All donations are tax deductible as RVGS is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, #93-0684590. If you take Required Minimum Distributions, you can donate all or any part of the distribution directly; send your request to the administrator of your fund. In addition, if you donate a matching amount to the Oregon Cultural Trust, you can receive a tax credit for the ENTIRE amount of your donation (maximum \$1,000 for couple; \$500 single). Just go to www.culturaltrust.org/donate for more details.

As an all-volunteer organization, all donations are put into the operation and improvement of the library or directly toward the mortgage. No funds are received from any government sources. It is because of YOU that the library has grown to be the largest genealogical library between Portland and Sacramento. I hope you will consider making a generous donation to the RVGS Annual Fund and Leave a Legacy campaign this year.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR 2016 ANNUAL FUND DRIVE DONORS THUS FAR!

Vernon & Marti Arnold, Al and Marilyn Ayres, Colista Bailey, Roberta Becker, Robb Beckett, Arthur Bigelow, Anne Billeter, Stephen Bosbach, RE & Donna Brewer, Patricia Brewer, Glen Briggs, Warren & Charleen Brown, Bill & Marion Collins, Sheila Couey, Carolyn Craig, Julie Drengson, Chuck & Colleen Eccleston, John & Lorraine Ferrell, Sharon Freeburne, Marie Fulbright, Rich Miles, Ginger Montes, Janet Gleaves, Janet Gregory, Dorothea Hatch, Gene & Charlotte Henry, Monty & Carol Holst, Horton Family Foundation, Thomas Hunt, Barbara Jarvis, Jackson & Caroline Jones, Florence Kemp, Sheila Kimball, Mary Lynn Lucas, Barbara & Dick MacMillen, James Maize Jr., Barbara Middaugh, Sharon Newman, Dennis Patterson, Jack & Andrea Patterson, Charlotte Redfield, Shirley Rhodes, Richard Ritchie, Roger & Nancy Roberts, Deanna Russell, Anita Seulean, Barbara Shrewsbury, Vanya Sloan, J. Stevens, John & Janie Stewart, Kim Thurman, Linda Turner, Ron & Jackie Wagner, William Walker, Muriel Williams

GRANT NEWS



A big thank you goes to the Olsrud Family Foundation for a \$5,000 grant via the Oregon Community Foundation. The grant will be applied toward the purchase and installation of folding doors between our two meeting rooms. Once the doors are installed, we will have the capacity to host two events at a time! Thank you also to Barbara MacMillen for her tireless work in securing grants for RVGS/JCGL.

DONATE TO RVGS BY LINKING YOUR REWARDS CARD AND SHOPPING AT FRED MEYER.



REWARDS CARDS MUST BE “RENEWED” EACH YEAR. EVEN IF YOU HAVE ALREADY LINKED YOUR CARD, YOU MUST RENEW THAT LINK BEGINNING JULY 2016.

- Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to (non-profit) at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. You can search for us by our name or by our non-profit number (#91873).
- Then, every time you shop and use your Rewards Card, you are helping Rogue Valley Genealogical Society earn a donation!
- You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates, just as you do today.
- If you do not have a Rewards Card, they are available at the Customer Service desk of any Fred Meyer store.
- For more information, please visit www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards.



DONATE TO RVGS BY SHOPPING AT AMAZON AFTER USING A WEBSITE LINK TO ANCESTRY

Amazon.com deposits charitable contributions directly to the RVGS checking account each month. Those contributions result from members going to [Jackson County Genealogy Library](#) or to [Rogue Valley Genealogical Society](#), locating the Amazon ad on the home page then clicking through to Amazon before placing an order.

DONATE TO RVGS BY SHOPPING THROUGH THE AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM.

Use the following link to shop at Amazon through the Smile program, which also results in charitable contributions to RVGS :

<http://smile.amazon.com/gp/charity/homepage.html?orig=%2Fgp%2Fbrowse.html%3Fnode%3D502659011&ein=93-0684590>.

Once you have linked your account to Amazon Smile, you can choose to shop through that program each time you shop at Amazon.

JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY & INTERNET NEWS

JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY DOORS



Jack Patterson, volunteer, installed two new office doors that will allow for more sound control and privacy. Donations from three RVGS members paid for these new doors.

NEW ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY COLLECTION (June 2016)

DNA

929.1 Smo

Smolenyak, Megan

Trace your roots with DNA: using genetic tests to explore your family tree

FAMILY GENEALOGIES

929.2 Bishop
Ancestors and Descendants of Lewis Conley Bishop

929.2 Hottel
Huddle, W. D., Rev.
History of the Descendants of John Hottel (Immigrant from Switzerland to America)

929.2 Miller
Miller, Connie Baylor
Connie Baylor Miller Collection, books 1-19
[See separate article about this collection]

929.2 Stullich
Stullich, Theodore William, Jr.
History of the Stullich Family, "A Work in Progress"

929.2 Oliver
Morgan, Louise
Westward H-O-O-O-o-o-o-o, the Olivers

929.2 Varner
Palmer, Janice B.
Varner, Verner Werner Families of America

MAYFLOWER

929.3 Mayflower v. 16 Pt. 4
Mayflower families. Through Five Generations: John Alden

929.3 Mayflower v. 24
Mayflower families. Through Five Generations: William Brewster

CONNECTICUT

974.62 G242 And
Andrews, Alfred
Memorial, Genealogy, and Ecclesiastical History [of First Church, New Britain, CT] To which is added an appendix, with explanatory notes, and a full index

TEXAS

976.4212 M177 Red
Red River County, Texas Marriages, 1845-1881

976.4287 M177 Bel
Bell County, Texas Marriages Records, 1850-1882

976.4884 M177 Ker
Kerr County, Texas Marriage Records, Book A, 1856-1866

OHIO

977.193 L142 Dee

Deed Abstracts Belmont County Ohio, Volumes D, E, and F (1811-1817)

INDIANA

977.257 B352 Har

Hardin, Samuel

Pioneer, 1895 History and genealogies of Madison and Hancock counties, Indiana

ILLINOIS

977.353 H388 Woo

Woodford County [Illinois] History

COLORADO

978.883 S227 Sky

Skyline 1888-1938 [yearbook of Colorado Woman's College, Denver, CO]

ARIZONA

Atlas 979.1 A841 Ari

Arizona Atlas & Gazetteer

OREGON

979.5 S227 Raider 1982

Raider 1982 [yearbook of Southern Oregon State College, Ashland, Oregon]

979.527 S227 Nugget

*Nugget 1938 [yearbook of Gold Hill High School, Gold Hill, OR]
1939,1940,1941*

979.527 S227 Rogue 1997

Rogue 97 [1997]: Year of the Flood [yearbook of Ashland High School, Ashland, Oregon]

CONNIE BAYLOR MILLER COLLECTION



The 19 books of the Connie Baylor Miller Collection are new additions to the large collection of family genealogies at JCGL. The collection is shelved in 929.2 under the surname Miller, but the research and information contained in the 19 books reaches far beyond that surname.

Connie was a beloved active member of RVGS, taken from us prematurely. The generous donation of her research to RVGS by her husband adds enormously to our resources for researchers interested in a fair number of surnames, especially Baylor (Connie's birth name) and Miller (Connie's married name.)

Connie was born in Talent, Jackson County, Oregon, which adds another dimension to her research, as does her close family relationship to another local genealogist, Lida Childers. Andrea Patterson, RVGS President, organized the Connie Baylor Miller Collection. Here is a brief description of each book in the Connie Baylor Miller Collection.

- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Baylor Genealogy*: Karl Iva Baylor and Jennie Isabelle Higgins Baylor
Book 1 and their four children; their genealogy, including documents and photographs.
Note: Karl Iva Baylor and Jennie Isabelle Higgins Baylor are Connie Baylor Miller's grandparents.
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Baylor Genealogy*: John Franklin Baylor and Emma L. Cummins Baylor
Book 2 and their six children; Emma L. Cummins and her ancestors: Cummins, Stanton, Lanman, Sumner, Stapleton, Claycomb.
Note: John Franklin Baylor and Emma L. Cummins Baylor are Connie Baylor Miller's great-grandparents.
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Baylor Genealogy*: Frederick Baylor and Amelia Kear Baylor and their
Book 3 first six children and descendants.
Note: Frederick Baylor and Amelia Kear Baylor are Connie Baylor Miller's great-great-grandparents; their seventh child, John Franklin Baylor, is in Book 2.
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Kear Genealogy*: John Cears Kear and Mary Ann Reed Kear and their
Book 4 children, including Amelia Kear and her husband Frederick Baylor and their descendants.
Note: John Cears Kear and Mary Ann Reed Kear are Connie Baylor Miller's Great-great-great-grandparents.

- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Hageman Genealogy*: Elmer Avis Hageman and Clara Belle Christensen
Book 5 Hageman and their children, including Shirley Jean Hageman and her husband Robert Earl Baylor and their descendants.
- 929.2 *Hageman-Pendleton Genealogy*: Compiled by Ora Elizabeth Hageman-Burnett
Miller and Ethel Marie Hageman-Mellies. c.1985.
Book 6
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Higgins, Brown, Devoe, Van Winkle, and Head*: family research on the
Book 7 ancestral family lines related to Baylor and Miller.
- 929.2 Honeyman, A. Van Doren
Miller *Joannes Nevius, Schepen* and Third Secretary of New Amsterdam under
Book 8 the Dutch First Secretary of New York City under the English and his descendants, A.D. 1627-1900\ Plainfield, NJ: Honeyman & Company, 1900.
[photocopy]
- 929.2 Taylor, Diann
Miller *My Family Tree*, vol. 1, Our Story. Talent, OR: the author, 1989.
Book 9 Note: Wooldridge, Kerby, Torrey, Baylor
- 929.2 Taylor, Diann, compiler
Miller *Family group sheets*, to accompany “My Family Tree” [Book 9]:
Book 10 Wooldridge, Kerby, Torrey, and Baylor. Talent, OR: the compiler, 1989?
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Whitenack Genealogy*: John Whitenack and his wife Hannah Flagg
Book 11 Whitenack and their children.
- Miller *Christensen Genealogy*: Hans A. Christensen and his wife Anna
Book 12 Magdaline Sorensen Christensen and their children: their genealogy, including photographs.

- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Miller Genealogy: Ransley Miller and his wife Abigail Darrow Miller:*
Book 13 their parents and children.
Note: Miller, Lantz, Darrow, Prior
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Neill Genealogy: Robert Neill and his wife Mary Jane Jones Neill and*
Book 14 their children.
Note: Margaret Dunne Neill married Ransley Jacob Miller
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Corinne Miles Lamborn and her ancestors: Hogan, Beebe, Bean, Newton,*
Book 15 and Chittenden.
Note: Connie Miles Lamborn married William Joseph Miller
- 929.2 Towle, Jeannie A.
Miller *Joseph Towle's Ancestors.* Northglenn, CO: the author, 1979.
Book 16 Note: Towle, Miller, Lantz, Darrow
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Hogan Genealogy: Thomas Burton Hogan and his parents, Thomas V.*
Book 17 Hogan and Nancy Jane Crowder Hogan; Crowder ancestors; and Mounday
cousins.
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor, compiler
Miller *Correspondence of Lida Mae Childers Baylor; Dr. Robert Miles and his*
Book 18 wife Mary Patton Miles and their genealogy; Runkle Family of York County,
Pennsylvania [excerpts].
Note: Baylor, Childers, Miles, Runkle, Patton, Cullin
- 929.2 Miller, Connie Baylor
Miller *Index to Names in the Connie Baylor Miller Collection; genealogical*
Book 19 charts and lists.
Note: Indexed by Andrea Patterson, RVGS volunteer

MAGAZINES RECEIVED

The most recent issue is shelved in the wire rack at the end of the 929.2 book stack

[Partial contents listed]

- *American Ancestors* (NEHGS), v 17, #2, Spring/Summer 2016.

(Circ 974, P273, AA)

“Choosing the Right Genealogical Software for You” Key items to consider.

“Using Satellite Imagery to Connect the Past with the Present: A Case Study” Download free Google Earth earth.google.com and compare current view with map of ancestor’s time there.

- *Colorado Genealogist*, v 77, #2, May 2016.

(Circ 978.8, P273, Col)

- *Distant Homes* (Sweet Home Genealogical Society Newsletter), April 2016.

- *Heritage Newsletter* (Linn Genealogical Society), v 30, #6, June 2016.

(Circ 979.535, P273, Lin)

- *Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly*, v 61, #2, June 2016.

(Circ 976.6, P273, OGS)

“History Writing Contest” Winners were 1st Place, Living on Grain Rent in Gideon, Oklahoma: My Cherokee Nation in 1930; 2nd Place, Searching for Renne; 3rd Place, Searching for Riley Clay, Dawes Rolls #14891.

- *Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Newsletter*. v XXXVIII, #6, June 2016.

“Oregon Historical Records Index, Oregon State” Index includes births, deaths, marriages, naturalizations, probates, and divorces.

INTERNET RESOURCES

WORLD VITAL RECORDS SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRING

The library subscription to the *World Vital Records* site will expire on July 17, 2016. If you are accustomed to using this site, you will find that resources on World Vital Records can be

accessed on the *MyHeritage* site available on all but two of the patron computers at Jackson County Genealogy Library.

MYHERITAGE INTRODUCES PEDIGREE MAP

from MyHeritage Blog

[Introducing PedigreeMap™ — an Interactive Map of Your Family History](#)

- * We're happy to announce the launch of PedigreeMap™, an innovative way to visualize your family history. PedigreeMap plots events from your family tree such as births, marriages, and deaths, as well as digital and scanned photos on an interactive world map.
- * Have you ever wondered how close your ancestors lived to one another? Where exactly your great-grandmother was born? Seeing significant events from your family's past on a map allows you to gain a clearer picture of your family's journey. Trace the locations of your ancestors and get new geographical and historical insights into your family history. You may suddenly realize that all of your grandparents come from a tiny region in Europe; or that your second cousins are actually your neighbors.



- * PedigreeMap displays all your photos and events grouped by country and location, allowing you to easily filter the map to view it by person, family group, event type, and time period. If you have a tablet device, such as an iPad or an Android tablet, PedigreeMap will look

awesome on it. You will be able to pan and zoom with your fingers, and enjoy the maps tremendously.

- * PedigreeMap is free for all users. To access it, log on to your MyHeritage family site and select PedigreeMap in the Apps menu. If you're a new user, sign up first from the [MyHeritage homepage](#), upload your family tree as a GEDCOM file, and you can immediately view a PedigreeMap for your family tree.

Accessing PedigreeMap from the MyHeritage family site

- * PedigreeMap displays family history events from your family tree on the map. MyHeritage runs a process in the background that converts every place name referenced in your family tree or your photos, into geographical coordinates. This process is called geocoding. After the coordinates are calculated, your family history events are plotted on the map.
- * The main screen of PedigreeMap shows the embedded map. On the left-hand side, there is a list of all places that appear in your family tree. The numbers on the list correspond to the number of references to each place in your family tree. The map shows pins for each location.

FROM OLIVE TREE GENEALOGY BLOG

Number 1 in Top 100 Genealogy Books at Amazon.com



Imagine my surprise (and delight) when I spotted this last night on Amazon.

My book "**Organize Your Genealogy in Evernote in 10 Easy Steps**" is #1 in the Top 100 Genealogy books on Amazon! Thank you to everyone who spent \$1.34-\$1.50 (It changes at Amazon's discretion) to read it and those who kindly left reviews. If you don't have your copy, here's the link [Organize Your Genealogy in Evernote in 10 Easy Steps](#) available as an Ebook.

Read more: <http://olivetreegenealogy.blogspot.com/2016/06/number-1-in-top-100-genealogy-books.html#ixzz4CdrEF6PL>

ARE YOU USING THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY CATALOG?



The FamilySearch Catalog <https://familysearch.org/catalog/search> should be one of your go-to resources when researching. Not only can you search for an author, surname, title, place, subject or keyword, you can combine searches to narrow your focus. Type in a Place in the search

box and then click on Surname to add a surname or type in a Place and then use the Keyword search to add the name of a church or occupation. Learn more about the FamilySearch Catalog and how to find the resources you are looking for by checking out the FamilySearch Wiki page, Introduction to the FamilySearch Catalog https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Introduction_to_the_Family_History_Library_Catalog.

By Gena Philibert-Ortega, *Internet Genealogy* and *Your Genealogy Today* author

LOOKING FOR A NEW COMPUTER/TABLET?

Acer's Switch One 10 is a **Windows 10 laptop** that will go on sale next month. It will have a manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$249, but most discount retailers are expected to sell it for \$199, plus or minus a bit. That's a great price for a Windows 10 computer that will run any modern Windows genealogy program, including Family Tree Builder, Family Historian, RootsMagic, Legacy Family Tree, Ancestral Quest, Heredis, and others. This small computer will not replace your desktop computer but should be very handy for genealogy trips.

This computer, along with Google's Chromebook, was recommended by Dick Eastman in a recent blog post. Follow this [link](#) to read more,